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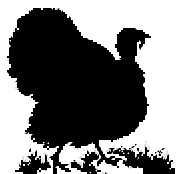
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady to fully steady. Limited trading took place. Demand was light to moderate. Parts trading was light to moderate, meats trading was inactive. Supplies adequate to available.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on tom drums and thigh meat, balance of items was light. Inquiry was mixed with most interest noted for tom drums and thigh meat, balance light. Offerings limited.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **AUGUST 19, 2004**

#### CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/ VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-74	74	74.00	160	79.00 75.00	40 80	OCT NOV	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-74	74	74.00	120	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-74	72	72.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	72-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

**WEEK OF AUGUST 20, 2004**

	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
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8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	73.40 **	73.00 **	57.40 **
CENTRAL REGION	72.00	72.90 **	55.50
WESTERN REGION	74.00	72.50 **	60.00

16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	72.80 **	72.30 **	56.90 **
CENTRAL REGION	72.50 **	72.20 **	55.85 **
WESTERN REGION	73.50	72.30 **	57.50 **

\*\*BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,  
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	80-82
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	80
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	80-81

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY  
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	115-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	115-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	115-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	115-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	120-130

**FRESH TURKEYS WITH TIMERS OR EQUIVALENT**

U.S. GRADE A DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, EASTERN REGION,  
CENTS PER POUND, WEEK OF 23-AUG-2004

	<u>HENS (8-16#)</u>		<u>TOMS (16-24#)</u>	
	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>(000)</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>(000)</u>
SALES (Promotions Included)	81.51	147	81.23	13
SALES (Promotions not included)	81.51	147	81.23	13
SALES (Promotions only)				
SALES (Price to be determined)				

**TURKEY MOVEMENT TREND (IN THOUSAND POUNDS)**

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

July	439,001*
August 1-14, 2004	194,456*
To date 2004	3,113,226*
To date 2003	3,369,130*

\* Preliminary, to date 2004 reflects corrected 7/31 to date figure

**TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS**

W/E 14-Aug-2004 BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS (PRELIMINARY)

		<u>YOUNG TURKEYS</u>		<u>TOTAL TURKEYS</u>	
		<u>PCT</u>	<u>AVG</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>AVG</u>
		<u>CHG</u>	<u>LIVE</u>	<u>BANDED</u>	<u>LIVE</u>
<u>-THOUSAND HEAD-</u>	<u>PW</u>	<u>WT</u>	<u>-THOUSAND HEAD-</u>	<u>WT</u>	
North East	625	-28	19.54	(A)	630 19.54
South Atlantic	789	-1	29.99	(A)	794 29.99
North Central	2,100	-2	31.11	(A)	2,105 31.11
South Central	467	-1	20.61	(A)	472 20.61
West	316	-4	24.84	(A)	320 24.84
U.S. total	4,297(B)	-7	26.75	24	4,321 26.75
To-date					
2004	137,933(B)			239	138,172
To-date					
2003	149,077(B)			461	149,538

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 90,000; for the current year to date 1,577,000; for last year to date 2,024,000.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

W/E 14-Aug-2004

	<u>YOUNG</u>		<u>YOUNG</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>		<u>TURKEYS</u>
	<u>Thousands</u>				
Head	1,691	2,516	90	24	4,321
Avg Wt	15.90	35.62	23.94	29.42	26.75
Last week	1,808	2,754	47	15	4,624
Same wk yr ago	2,075	2,675	56	8	4,814
Avg Wt	15.58	34.75	23.37	31.17	26.35
To-date/2004	55,321	81,035	1,577	239	138,172
To-date/2003	59,723	87,330	2,024	461	149,538

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**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 19 AUGUST 2004.**

Trade sentiment on tom drums steady to firm, tom 2-joint wings steady to barely steady, balance of tom bulk parts mostly steady. Tom bulk parts demand was fair to good on drums, balance light. Offerings of tom drums were light to adequate, tom 2-joint wings adequate to fully adequate, balance of tom bulk parts mostly adequate. Trade sentiment on hen 2-joint wings fully steady to firm, hen necks steady to barely steady, balance of hen parts mostly steady. Demand on hen 2-joint wings good, hen necks light, balance of hen bulk parts light to fair. Offerings of hen 2-joint wings short of buyers' needs, hen necks adequate to fully adequate, balance adequate. Trade sentiment on thigh meat steady to fully steady. Inquiry light to fair. Offerings uneven. Trading heavy on tom drums for export, balance light. For export: mixed hand cut defatted gizzards 48.50, wing meat with skin (no age requirements) 59 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	95.50	1,600
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	154.00-155.00		154.85	33
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	25.00		25.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	23.00		23.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	31.00		31.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		W	35.00	80
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	47.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	46.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	82.00	62
NECKS, TOM	17.00		17.00	20
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	182.00	26
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		F	205.19	310
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	81.50	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT		T	114.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	90.71	140
TENDERLOINS		F	155.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	163.33	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		F	186.00	60
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	64.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	20.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		F	19.17	120
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	24.00-27.00		25.89	808
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	34.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	31.00		31.00	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	17.00-19.00		17.87	92
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	84.00-87.00		85.70	92

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

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The market tone on tom drums was fully steady instances firm, balance of tom bulk parts mostly steady. Tom bulk parts demand was fair. Offerings of tom drums were light to adequate, balance of tom bulk parts mostly adequate. Trade sentiment on hen parts was mostly steady. Demand on hen bulk parts was light to fair. Offerings of hen parts generally short of buyers' needs. The tone on thigh meat was mostly steady. Inquiry was moderate. Offerings are mixed. Sales for export thigh trim 27 to 45 cents and turkey fries 252 cents. Domestic hen necks 11 cents transferred in storage and fresh scapula 107 cents.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	95.50	1,600	95.50	1,600
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		R	154.85	33	154.85	33
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	28.00		28.00	80	27.47	340
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	26.00-31.00		28.63	152	27.46	192
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	30.00		30.00	120	30.30	200
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	34.00-36.00		34.67	60	34.89	180
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	47.00	40	46.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	34.00		34.00	40	42.00	160
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	82.00		82.00	40	82.00	102
NECKS, TOM	17.00-19.00		18.07	300	18.00	335
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		F	182.00	26		
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	208.00-209.00		208.50	80	208.50	80
THIGH MEAT						
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	83.00		83.00	20	83.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT	116.00		116.00	40	115.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT	90.00-91.00		90.33	60	90.33	60
TENDERLOINS		F	155.00	20		
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	158.00		158.00	40	158.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	64.00	40	64.50	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	187.00-188.00		187.67	60	187.67	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	20.00	40	20.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	18.00-19.00		18.69	127	18.69	127
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	25.00-28.00		27.50	320	25.45	3,126
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	34.00	40		
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS		R	31.00	120	31.00	120
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00		18.00	80	19.34	536
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	82.00		82.00	200	83.16	292

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